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By: **Calvert County Delegation**

Introduced and read first time: February 5, 2004

Assigned to: Ways and Means

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Education - Full-Day Kindergarten Programs - Calvert County Exemption**

3 FOR the purpose of exempting the Calvert County Board of Education from providing  
4 certain kindergarten programs for all kindergarten students in that county;  
5 exempting the Calvert County Board from a certain requirement to include  
6 certain information in a certain plan; exempting certain kindergarten programs  
7 from certain requirements regarding certain days and certain hours of  
8 operation; providing for the effective date of certain provisions of this Act;  
9 providing for a delayed effective date subject to certain contingencies; and  
10 generally relating to the provision of full-day kindergarten programs in Calvert  
11 County.

12 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
13 Article - Education  
14 Section 7-101(e)  
15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
16 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

17 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
18 Article - Education  
19 Section 7-301(g)  
20 Annotated Code of Maryland  
21 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

22 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
23 Chapter 288 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002  
24 Section 20(d)(1)

25 BY adding to  
26 Article - Education  
27 Section 7-301(g)  
28 Annotated Code of Maryland  
29 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

1 (As enacted by Chapter 288 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002)

2 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
3 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

4 **Article - Education**

5 7-101.

6 (e) (1) [By] EXCEPT IN CALVERT COUNTY, BY the 2007-2008 school year,  
7 each county board shall provide full-day kindergarten programs for all kindergarten  
8 students in that county.

9 (2) [In] EXCEPT IN CALVERT COUNTY, IN the comprehensive master  
10 plan that is submitted under § 5-401 of this article, a county board shall identify the  
11 strategies that will be used in that county to ensure that full-day kindergarten  
12 programs are provided to all kindergarten students in that county by the 2007-2008  
13 school year.

14 7-301.

15 (g) Kindergarten programs are not subject to the requirements of § 7-103(a) of  
16 this title relating to minimum days or hours of operation.

17 **Chapter 288 of the Acts of 2002**

18 SECTION 20. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

19 (d) (1) For the additional State aid for education as enacted by Section 2 of  
20 this Act to be implemented in fiscal 2005, the General Assembly at the 2004 regular  
21 session shall affirm by joint resolution adopted no later than the fiftieth day of the  
22 session that the additional State aid for education is within the State's fiscal  
23 resources for fiscal 2005.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland  
25 read as follows:

26 **Article - Education**

27 7-301.

28 (G) IN CALVERT COUNTY, KINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO  
29 THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 7-103(A) OF THIS TITLE RELATING TO MINIMUM DAYS OR  
30 HOURS OF OPERATION.

31 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall  
32 take effect July 1, 2007, the effective date of Section 3 of Chapter 288 of the Acts of the  
33 General Assembly of 2002. If the effective date of Section 3 of Chapter 288 is  
34 amended, Section 2 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of Section 3 of  
35 Chapter 288.

1 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in  
2 Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007, contingent on the failure  
3 of the joint resolution described in Section 20(d)(1) of Chapter 288 of the Acts of the  
4 General Assembly of 2002 and the failure on or before July 1, 2007, of the Interagency  
5 Committee on School Construction to determine whether the school facilities  
6 construction budget provides an amount sufficient to fully fund capital expenditures  
7 relating to the provision of full-day kindergarten programs in Calvert County, and if  
8 the joint resolution in Section 20(d)(1) of Chapter 288 does become effective, and the  
9 Interagency Committee on School Construction determines on or before July 1, 2007,  
10 that the school facilities construction budget provides an amount sufficient to fully  
11 fund capital expenditures relating to the provision of full-day kindergarten programs  
12 in Calvert County, this Act shall be null and void without the necessity of further  
13 action by the General Assembly.